



Over the last 20 years, Rachael Claridge has developed a practice in all aspects of family law, with particular regard to those involving child protection issues.

Rachael is a Resolution trained family mediator and is regularly involved in training and seminars for a number of Local Authorities and in the Chambers seminar programme. She is happy to consider training for other individuals / organisations.

"Rachael is committed, hardworking and knows her case inside out."

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"She has an extremely lovely manner. She is very empathetic with clients and has a calming nature."

Chambers & Partners 2019

"She has an excellent way with clients, dealing with difficult subjects in a sensitive way."

Chambers & Partners 2018

"Explains very complicated matters to clients in a straightforward way."

Chambers & Partners 2017

Children (Public Law)

Rachael's experience of Public Law proceedings is extensive. She is regularly instructed on behalf of parents, intervenors, local authorities and children's Guardians. She hopes her manner with lay clients is approachable and straightforward, yet can explain complex and difficult terms in a way that can be understood. She very much values the opportunity to have an integrated working relationship with the professional client. Rachael is happy to be contacted for either telephone or written advice on a case.

Children (Private Law)

Rachael also has a great deal of experience in Private Law matters, particularly those involving intractable contact disputes, national and international relocation and cases where Section 37 of the Children Act 1989 may be applicable. She is also experienced in cases where there are allegations of domestic abuse and control.

Domestic Violence & Injunctions

Rachael represents clients in injunctive proceedings under the Family Law Act 1989, including where allegations of serious domestic violence or abuse have been made. She has gained much experience of such applications, particularly where those applications are linked to concurrent Children Act 1989 proceedings.

Direct Access

Rachel accepts work from lay clients via Direct Access. You can view her profile here.

Education

- . Inns of Court School of Law
- LLB (Hons)

Memberships

- ALC
- FLBA
- Resolution
- · South Eastern Circuit